WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

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- 1. A communication terminal unit comprising:
- a display unit;
- a display control unit for displaying the predetermined information on said display unit;
 - a communication unit; and
 - a connection control unit for controlling a connection state of said communication unit with an information center;

wherein said communication terminal unit acquires the information from said information center by connecting via said communication unit to said information center, and

wherein said connection control unit starts a connection to said information center when the display on said display unit transfers to the predetermined display contents under the control of said display control unit.

- 2. The communication terminal unit according to claim
 1, wherein when the display on said display unit transfers to
 the display contents for entering the data to be transmitted
 via said communication unit under the control of said display
 control unit, the connection to said information center is
 started.
- 3. The communication terminal unit according to claim
 1, wherein when the display on said display unit transfers to
 the display contents for entering the kind of data transmitted
 via said communication unit under the control of said display

control unit, the connection to said information center is started.

4. A connection control method for use with a communication terminal unit comprising a display unit, a display control unit for displaying the predetermined information on said display unit, a communication unit, and a connection control unit for controlling a connection state of said communication unit with an information center, in which said communication terminal unit acquires the information from said information center by connecting via said communication unit to said information center; the method comprising:

detecting that the display on said display unit transfers to the predetermined display contents under the control of said display control unit; and

- starting a connection to said information center when the display on said display unit transfers to the predetermined display contents.
 - 5. A computer program for causing a computer to function as a communication terminal unit comprising:
- 20 a display unit;

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- a display control unit for displaying the predetermined information on said display unit;
 - a communication unit; and
- a connection control unit for controlling a connection state of said communication unit with an information center;

wherein said communication terminal unit acquires the information from said information center by connecting via said communication unit to said information center, and

wherein said connection control unit starts a connection to said information center when the display on said display unit transfers to the predetermined display contents under the control of said display control unit.